

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

PCT/JP2005/002838

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int. Cl.⁷ G01N33/50, A61K31/445, 31/496, 31/551, 31/554, 45/00,
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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	Enomoto et al., 'Dobutsu Model o Mochiita Ko Seishin'byoyaku no Kaihatsu', Brain Science, Vol.25, No.5 (2003), pages 437 to 444	1-5
X	Ebihara et al., 'Togo Shicchosho no Dobutsu Model', Igaku no Ayumi, Vol.208, No.3 (2004 Nen 1 Gatsu), pages 138 to 142	1-5
X	JP 2003-135074 A (Japan Science and Technology Corp.), 13 May, 2003 (13.05.03), (Family: none)	1-5

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.☐ See patent family annex.

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X	Saji, 'Shinkei Kairomo Keisei to Kofunsei Synapse Kasosei ni Kansuru Kodogakuteki Kenkyu-NMDA Juyotai Kaiba Knockdown Dobutsu no Togo Shicchoshoyo no Ninchi Shogai', Shinkei Kairomo Keisei Shogai no Bunshi Kiko ni Kansuru Kenkyu, Heisei 14 Nendo Sokatsu Buntan Kenkyu Hokokusho, pages 13 to 20 (2003)	1-5

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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

See extra sheet.

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- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
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Main invention: claims 1-5
2nd invention : claim 9
3rd invention : claims 10-12
4th invention : claims 13-15
5th invention : claims 16-20
6th invention : claim 21

The special technical feature of the invention of claims 1-5 is "in vivo screening method for estimating whether or not a test compound has the possibility of ameliorating any memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, which method includes the step of evaluating memory/learning functions with the use of a model with NMDA type receptor dysfunction as an animal model of schizophrenia and with the use of reference memory problems".

With respect to claims 9-21, it is already known that NMDA receptor is associated with schizophrenia (dementia praecox) and that substances capable of acting on the NMDA receptor ameliorate cognitive ability (see WO 2002/022581 A, especially description in the column "Background of the Invention").

Consequently, the special technical feature of the invention of claim 9 is "therapeutic agent for memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, comprising aricept as an active ingredient". The special technical feature of the invention of claims 10-12 is "therapeutic agent for memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, comprising ketiapin as an active ingredient". The special technical feature of the invention of claims 13-15 is "therapeutic agent for memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, comprising clozapin as an active ingredient". The special technical feature of the invention of claims 16-20 is "therapeutic agent for memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, comprising the general formula [I] of claim 16 as an active ingredient". The special technical feature of the invention of claim 21 is "therapeutic agent for memory/learning dysfunction by schizophrenia, comprising the general formula (2) of claim 21 as an active ingredient".

Among these inventions, there is no technical relationship involving one or more of the same or corresponding special technical features. Therefore, it does not appear that these inventions are linked with each other so as to form a single general inventive concept.